## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. 5. (Cancelled).
- 6. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition, comprising:
  - (a) an antagonist of hLRTM4 gene or hLRTM4 gene transcript, wherein the hLRTM4 gene has the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1, wherein the antagonist is a polynucleotide having consisting of a contiguous fragment of 30-100 bases that hybridize to the hLRTM4 gene or the hLRTM4 gene transcript; and
  - (b) a pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle, diluent or carrier.
- (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 6, wherein the polynucleotide is an antisense polynucleotide for the hLRTM4 gene transcript.
- 8. 16. (Cancelled).
- 17. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 7, wherein the antisense polynucleotide has a contiguous fragment of at least 50 bases that hybridize to the hLRTM4 gene transcript.
- 18. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 7, wherein the antisense polynucleotide has a contiguous fragment of at-least 100 bases that hybridize to the hLRTM4 gene transcript.
- (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 6, wherein the polynucleotide is included in an expression vector.
- 20. 21. (Canceled).